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Club Calendar

Monday, March 12 — Closing date for annual election nominations by petition.

Tuesday, March 13 — Swiss Dinner; cocktails, 6 p.m.; dinner, 7:30.

Tuesday, March 20 — Press conference and reception for Ambassador Joza Brilej of Yugoslavia, member of U.N. Security Council. Cocktails, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 27 — Southeast Asia Open House. Speakers, *Edward Hunter* and members of the Indonesia delegation to the U.N. Cocktails 6pm.

Wednesday, March 28 — Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., first New York briefing on "NATO's Navy" by staff officers from the headquarters of the Supreme Allied Command, Atlantic.

Tuesday, April 3 — OPC Annual Awards Dinner, Sheraton-Astor Hotel, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 19 — Luncheon, 12:30 p.m. Speaker, *Frank Lloyd Wright*.

Monday, April 30 — Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers. Dinner available.

OVERSEAS TICKER

TOKYO

The appointment of *Robert E. Udick* as UP manager for Southeast Asia has been announced by *Earnest Hoberecht*, UP vice-president and general manager for Asia.

Udick will make his headquarters in Singapore. He succeeds the late *Gene D. Symonds*, who was killed last year while covering a mass riot in Singapore.

Over at the AP *John Randolph* was appointed bureau chief replacing *Robert Eunson*, who has transferred to an exclusive assignment in the States. *Sam Johnson, Jr.*, also transferred from Jackson, Miss. to the AP staff here.

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FORMER PRESIDENT TRUMAN TO BE SPEAKER AT AWARDS DINNER APRIL 3

Former President *Harry S. Truman* this week accepted the invitation of the Overseas Press Club to be the principal speaker at the Annual Awards Dinner on April 3.

The announcement of Mr. Truman's acceptance was made by *Spencer C. Valmy*, Chairman of the Dinner Committee. (For other news of the Dinner, see page 2)

TWO HUNDRED AT WASHINGTON PARTY

by *Jessie Stearns*

Washington, March 6 — More than 200 members of the press corps here, their guests, and members of the government and diplomatic corps attended the reception held at the National Press Club for Overseas Press Club officers and members.

The reception was given by the Washington membership of the OPC.



DON WHITEHEAD Whitehead is New HT Wash. Bureau Chief

Don Whitehead, two-time winner of the Pulitzer prize as an Associated Press reporter, was named chief of the NY Herald Tribune's Washington bureau as *Walter Kerr* quit the post he had held for the past fourteen months.

Whitehead's appointment is effective June 1. Until then, *Roscoe Drummond* will supervise the bureau.

Kerr, a former roving foreign correspondent and foreign editor of the HT, has been offered the foreign editor's post anew by *Ogden (Brownie) Reid*, the publisher, but declined to accept it. *Kerr* said he resigned because of differences of opinion on running the bureau. But

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In the receiving line were the co-chairmen of the reception, *Mrs. Jefferson Patterson* and *John B. Adams*, OPC President *Louis Lochner*, Vice Presidents *Kathryn Cravens* and *Ansel E. Talbert*, Secretary-Treasurer *A. Wilfred May*, and *Frank Holeman*, president of the National Press Club.

Other members of the New York contingent were Governors *N.F. Allman* and *Ruth Lloyd*, *Gil Busch*, *Lin Root*, *Hugh Swofford*, *Daniel Van Acker*, *Malcolm Muir Jr.*, *James Sheldon*, and *Mary Heaton Vorse*.

Holeman welcomed the New York contingent with an informal talk.

Washington members attending were: *Morgan Beatty*, *H. Walton Coke*, *May Craig*, *Dixon Donnelly*, *Bill Downs*, *Alice Roger Hager*, *Arthur D. Holzman*, *Edsard M. Kirby*, *J. Norman Lodge*, *Mrs. Jefferson Patterson*, *Walter T. Ridder*, *Jessie Stearns*, *Arthur Sweetser*, *Esther von Wagoner Tufty*, *Alexander Uhl*, *Andre Visson*, *Bill Campbell*, *Kip Ross*, *Barry Bishop*, *Mac Johnson*, *Honorary Member Justice William O. Douglas*, *Franc Shor*, *Jean Shor*, *William Ulman* and *Jim Warner*.

HEARST HONORED BY PHILIPPINES

William Randolph Hearst, Jr., received the Order of the Philippine Legion of Honor with the rank of officer from Philippines President *Ramon Magsaysay*.

Hearst, who is on a world news tour

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THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB Officers and Board

President: Louis P. Lochner; **Vice Presidents:** Kathryn Cravens, Ansel E. Talbert, Hal Lehrman; **Secretary-Treasurer:** A. Wilfred May; **Asst. to President:** Will Yolen.

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until April 1st is accompanied by *Frank Conniff*, his editorial assistant and *J. Kingsbury Smith*, general manager of International News Service.

NEW BOOK

Lewis D. Gilbert has a new book out called "Dividends and Democracy," published by the American Research Council.

Change in Date of Annual Meeting

The date of the annual OPC meeting has been changed from Friday, April 27, to Monday night, April 30. The new date makes possible the advance presentation of certain constitutional amendments within the time limit prescribed by the club's constitution.

March 12 — not *March 15*; as announced earlier — is the deadline for candidates for club officers and members of the Board of Governors other than those presented by the nominating committee.

Under the club by-laws, petition nominations must be submitted by the evening of *March 12* if delivered in person; or, if mailed, must be postmarked *March 12*.

A statement in last week's issue of the Bulletin that petitions must be received "at least ten days prior to the election" was erroneous. The by-laws, prescribe a *five-week* period, *A. Wilfred May*, secretary-treasurer, announces.

The nominating committee's list of candidates:

President — Bruno Shaw.

Vice Presidents — Lawrence G. Blochman, Cecil Brown, Kathryn Cravens, Charles Robbins, Ansel E. Talbert and Spencer C. Valmy.

Treasurer — A. Wilfred May, Joseph Willicombe.

Secretary — Dorothy Omansky, Will Yolen.

Governors — Thomas Curran, J.C. Dine, Elizabeth Fagg, Emanuel Freed-

AWARDS DINNER INVITATIONS SENT

Invitations to attend the OPC Annual Awards Dinner, April 3 at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel, were mailed to members last Monday. They will have a one-week time advantage to make reservations before invitations are sent to the public.

The Dinner Committee, headed by *Spencer C. Valmy*, reports that because of the increased membership, the prestige of the annual affair and the calibre of the speakers, the dinner unquestionably will be a sellout.

Reservations are on a first-come-first-served basis. The committee therefore advises members to follow the following procedure:

1. Send check immediately for the total amount (reservations are \$10 each per member and one guest and \$15 for each additional guest). Receipt of check will insure seating priority; reservations will not be made without accompanying checks.

2. Before *March 25* and preferably sooner, inform the committee who your guests are so that their names may be included in the seating list.

3. If you do not reserve a full table, arrange table groupings with other members and notify the club, in writing, before *March 25*, of the groupings you prefer.

The Dinner Committee will announce the list of speakers and the entertainment program later.

man, K.S. Giniger, John Goette, Matthew Huttner, John Luter, Reavis O'Neal, Will Oursler, Thomas P. Whitney, John Wilhelm.

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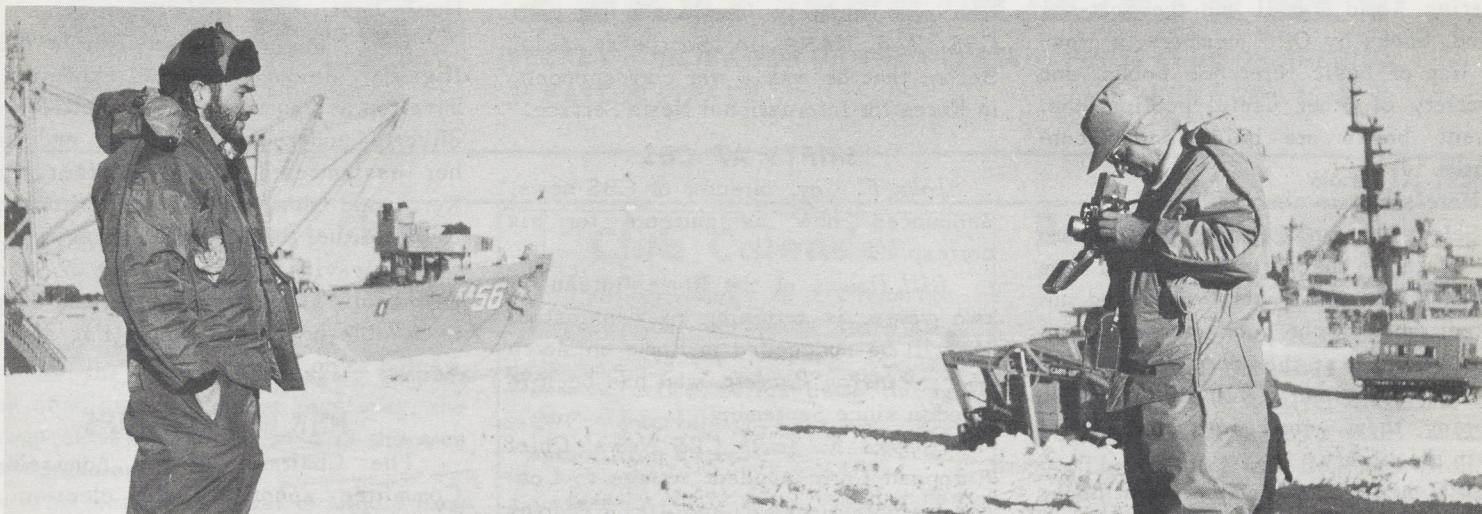
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THERE WERE PLENTY OF PROBLEMS



One for the boys in the office: SAUL PETT (in Ridgway hat) is immortalized by BERNIE KALB

Additional hazards and amusements encountered by the correspondents with the U.S. Navy's Operation Deepfreeze are described in the following article by Dick Dempewolff, South Pole correspondent for the *Bulletin* and *Eastern Editor of Popular Mechanics Magazine*. This is the third and last in his series of reports.

McMurdo Sound, Antarctica (by radio) — It was the fate of Bill Hartigan, NBC cameraman, to be unable to film a story of which he was the hero.

In rescuing two scientists who fell into an ice crevice, Bill tore a cartilage in his knee and was forced to spend a day alone on the frozen wasteland while they went to get help. At times Hartigan was certain his two companions would never return. When they finally got back Hartigan had run out of sound film and couldn't describe the scene.

Saul Pett of AP ran into trouble with Navy naivete. On returning from his historic flight to a haven of penguins near here, he asked a Navy Communication officers if his copy could be handled. "Oh, sure," said the officer. "We have been permitting press copy to go twice a week — on Tuesday and Thursday." Since the day was Saturday, Pett couldn't wait. He spent the next twelve hours in transit to a ship "where the press arrangements had moved past the nineteenth century."

Warren Watson representative for INS, CBS and Argosy and Dave Merwin of UP prowled ship to ship with notebooks. Merwin has the dubious distinc-

tion of being the only man to contract a painful attack of snow blindness, when he spent three days on the ice without sunglasses. Copy filed under his byline during the siege went out via the good graces of Commander Charles Snay, task force communications officer, who briefed Dave at his bedside, whipped stories into shape and personally transmitted them. According to Snay, Dave's copy was vastly improved during that period.

Three Japanese correspondents — Yoshihico Matsuoka of Asahi, Toshiro Tsubokawa of Yomiuro and Toshiro Horikawa of Kyodo managed to arrange short trips to Little America and to produce volumes of copy despite language barrier. In fact, their wide-eyes approach won helicopter rides for them when other correspondents had to hoof it across wind-blown Sastrugi.



DEMPEWOLFF: A long way from home

Recreation for all involved in Operation Deepfreeze was scarce. Because of the brief Antarctic summer operations were kept going around the clock. With no darkness to separate the day from the night, sleep was a matter of cat napping. Reporters found themselves napping on jouncing tractors, on the snow floors of tents, and on crates in ship holds. Seldom did they remove more clothing than their shoes when sleeping out on the ice.

All participated in a few big beer parties on the ice — on New Year's Eve — when even teetotalers admitted seeing penguins covering the outfield during a softball game.

Most correspondents had a chance to attend seal and penguin hunts. They ate meat and pemmican, a gustatory experience none particularly chose to repeat.

The evening chatter around the camp-stoves and ship wardrooms strongly reflected the absence of feminine society in the bachelor-ridden wastes. Pictures of wives and children were thumb black. And you would have to travel a long way here to find a man who doesn't dream of opening the door of his home and being greeted warmly by his wife and kids.

KINSOLVING TO NEW POST

Theodore F. Mueller, Publisher of Newsweek, has announced the appointment of Charles M. Kinsolving to the newly-created post of Financial Advertising Manager of Newsweek. In this post, Kinsolving will assume the direction of all financial and travel accounts for the magazine.

USE YOUR LIBRARY

The library now consists of 1500 volumes, including excellent material covering World War II and the post-war period, books by OPC members, a growing list of basic reference books, and a variety of other useful publications. Current books are being added constantly.

Here's how to check out books:

Select your book either from the card file located in the library alcove, or from the shelves, which are marked and unlocked; check your book out with Miss Tilly Reading at the check-in desk on the first floor, and return the books by dropping them gently into the slotted box in the library.

OPC members authoring current books are asked to have publishers donate two copies — one for the library and one for a door prize.

This week's additions to the library include: Rand-McNally Premier Atlas; Maryknoll Golden Book, and Amy Vanderbilt's Everyday Etiquette (Hanover House).

Overseas Ticker (C't'd f. page 1)

ROME

George Weller of the Chicago Daily News is returning home to cover the national elections.

Recent visitors include Mr. and Mrs. Thor Smith. He is assistant publisher of The American Weekly and she is travel columnist for "Sunset."

Serge Fliegers

NEW DELHI

Bob Elegant is back to take over his chores as Newsweek's recently appointed

New Delhi bureau chief. His territory will be South and Southeast Asia, and he will operate out of the Indian capital. Bob was formerly free-lancer for both CBS and NANA in Southeast Asia. Before that he was a war correspondent in Korea for International News Service.

SHIFTS AT CBS

John F. Day, director of CBS news, announces new assignments for six correspondents.

Bill Downs of the Rome Bureau for two years, is returning to Washington. He will be succeeded in Rome on March 15 by Winston Burdett, who has been in London since September.

Howard K. Smith CBS News' Chief European Correspondent returns to London from Middle East, and Alex Kendrick returns from Africa to resume his regular London post.

Lou Cioffi, who covered the Korean War, and who has been in the New York Bureau since the end of the conflict, will replace Blair Clark in Paris. Clark will join the New York staff in April.

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he added: "This really involves the whole paper — changes in character and one thing and another."

To Washington newsmen, however, it seemed that a number of factors had been involved in Kerr's decision, one being the presence in Washington of Marguerite Higgins, who has been assigned to the HT bureau there since her return from the Soviet Union last fall. There have been persistent rumors flowing around the National Press Club bar that Miss Higgins had been moving in

on some of the regular beats of Tribmen in Washington. And, according to the reports, she particularly liked the White House beat.

The HT, however, said that Miss Higgins, although she was expected to have top assignments in the capital, was directly under Kerr's orders, and that her assignments were his affair. And Kerr said that he held no bitterness toward either the HT or Miss Higgins.

On leaving the paper after 22 years, Kerr said: "I feel very relaxed and happy to be able now to do things I've always wanted to do."

NEW MEMBERSHIPS

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidates:

ACTIVE

Milton B. Bellis, Market Relations Network, Inc.
David Chandler, freelance.
Harlan Cleveland, The Reporter.
Isabel Leighton, freelance.
Debs Myers, Newsweek.
Alexander Nimick, Vision, Inc.
Daniel L. Schorr (re-instatement), CBS News.

ASSOCIATE

Gertrude E. Arundel, Reader's Digest.
Joseph Carter, Newsweek.
Malcolm McTear Davis, Travel Magazine.
Dorothy E. Hinz, W.R. Grace & Co.
Gerald Stewart McKnight, London Daily Sketch, Sunday Dispatch & Weekend Mail, Associated Newspapers Ltd. (London).
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